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E.O. 11652: GDS  
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SUBJECT: AMBASSADOR YOUNG MEETS AGAIN WITH SWAPO'S SAM  
NUJOMA

1. AMB YOUNG, AMB LOW, AND DON PETTERSON MET WITH  
SWAPO PRESIDENT SAM JUNOMA MAY 23 IN LUSAKA AT AMB  
LOW'S RESIDENCE. NUJOMA WAS ACCOMPANIED BY  
FIVE SWAPO OFFICIALS, INCLUDING SWAPO'S NEW YORK  
REPRESENTATIVE BEN-GURIRAB.

2. NUJOMA RESPONDED AFFIRMATIVELY TO AMB YOUNG'S  
REQUEST THAT SWAPO KEEP IN TOUCH WITH US SO THEY  
CAN BE INFORMED OF WHAT THE CONTACT GROUP IS DOING.  
NUJOMA SAID WE SHOULD TALK TO SWAPO REPRESENTATIVES IN  
NEW YORK AND LUSAKA. HOWEVER, SINCE EXTERNAL AND INTERNAL  
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SWAPO ARE PARTS OF A SINGLE ORGANIZATION, THERE IS  
NO NEED FOR THE CONTACT GROUP TO TALK TO SWAPO  
PEOPLE IN WINDHOLK. HE POINTEDLY SAID, "WE WILL  
LET THEM KNOW," WHAT THE CONTACT GROUP IS DOING.

3. AMB YOUNG TOLD NUJOMA THAT THE WESTERN

FIVE HAD TAKEN THEIR DIPLOMATIC INITIATIVE BECAUSE SOUTH AFRICA WOULD BE UNWILLING TO ACCEPT THE BASICS OF SC RESOLUTION 385 WITHOUT OUR PRESSURE. AND IF A NEGOTIATED SOLUTION IS REACHED, WESTERN FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR UN SUPERVISION AND CONTROL OF THE ELECTORAL PROCESS COULD BE NEEDED. NUJOMA DISAGREED WITH THIS, SAYING THAT OTHERS, ESPECIALLY NIGERIA, COULD PAY THE COSTS.

4. NUJOMA MADE A NUMBER OF OTHER POINTS:

-- THE WEST MUST KEEP UP THE PRESSURE ON VORSTER TO ACCEPT UN ROLE. VORSTER WANTS TO EXCLUDE THE UN, AND SWAPO WILL NOT ACCEPT THIS. (WE ASSURED HIM THAT NEITHER WOULD WE).  
--AS LONG AS SOUTH AFRICAN TROOPS ARE IN NAMIBIA, SWAPO WILL CONTINUE TO FIGHT.  
--HE WANTED TO KNOW MORE ABOUT THE MONDALE-VORSTER TALKS THAN WAS IN THE NEWSPAPERS. (BECAUSE WE HAD NOT SEEN CABLE REPORTS ON THE MEETING, WE WERE UNABLE TO GIVE HIM THE INFORMATION HE WANTED.)  
-- THE FIVE POWERS MUST CREATE NECESSARY CONDITIONS FOR NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN THE PARTIES INVOLVED. NEGOTIATIONS WOULD FOCUS ON THE QUESTION OF A CENTRAL ADMINISTRATIVE AUTHORITY, ITS ROLE BEFORE ELECTIONS, AND THE FRAMEWORK FOR THE ELECTIONS THEMSELVES.

5. AMB YOUNG SAID THESE LATTER CONSIDERATIONS COULD BE CONFIDENTIAL

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DISCUSSED DURING THE NEXT MEETING BETWEEN THE CONTACT GROUP AND THE SAG. THEREFORE IT IS IMPORTANT THAT SWAPO LET US KNOW WHAT ITS POSITION IS REGARDING THEM.

6. AMB YOUNG NOTED THAT VORSTER HAS SAID THAT IF ANY NAMIBIAN POLITICAL PRISONERS IN SOUTH AFRICA OR NAMIBIA ARE RELEASED, NAMIBIAN POLITICAL PRISONERS IN ZAMBIA AND TANZANIA MUST ALSO BE RELEASED. NUJOMA STATED THAT THIS WAS OUT OF THE QUESTION: "WE CANNOT ACCEPT ANY CONDITIONS BY VORSTER." MOREOVER, "EVERY SOVEREIGN STATE, LIKE ZAMBIA, HAS THE RIGHT TO DETAIN WHOMEVER IT WANTS."

7. COMMENT: NUJOMA'S COMMENTS POINT TO THE DIFFICULTIES WHICH LIE AHEAD IN FUTURE NEGOTIATIONS. HOWEVER, HE HAS NOT REJECTED OUR INITIATIVE AND IS WILLING TO REMAIN IN TOUCH.

8. ACTION REQUESTED: BELIEVE IT WOULD BE USEFUL FOR US TO FILL IN NUJOMA ON THE TALKS BETWEEN THE VICE PRESIDENT AND VORSTER ON THE SUBJECT OF NAMIBIA. REQUEST THE DEPARTMENT PROVIDE

EMBASSY LUSAKA WITH NECESSARY TALKING POINTS.  
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